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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY - FS LOCALS PHNOM PENH -
FINAL PAY

FOR J. BROHKAHN, CAMBODIA DESK FROM FADPC

REF: A) STATE 150475; B) BANGKOK 12517; C) STATE 172468

1. CONCLUSIVE INVESTIGATION OF PAY RECORDS SHOWS THAT

A. PHANG HEM, TCU DRIVER WAS PAID HIS FINAL PAY (3/30 - 4/12/75) OF 37 DOLS AND SEVERANCE/LUMP SUM LEAVE PAY OF 168 DOLS IN PHNOM PENH. SF-1165, RECEIPT FOR CASH - SUBVOUCHER IS SIGNED AND THIS INDICATES THAT PHANG HEM LEFT PHNOM PENH EARLY IN EVACUATION BY C-130 CARGO PLANE. COPY OF SF-1165 IS BEING SENT TO BROHKAHN.

B. TING LING, AKA TINGLENG, RECEIVED DOLS 78.97 US TREASURY CHECK NO. 83898, SYMBOL 6322 FOR HIS FINAL PAY (3/30 - 4/12/75) OF 18.97 DOLS AND SEVERANCE/LUMP SUM PAY OF 60.00 DOLS, DATED APR 22, 1975. HE RECEIVED THIS AMOUNT AT U-TAPAO AIR BASE/ REFUGEE CAMP ON MAY 2 JUST PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE TO US. COPY OF CHECK IS BEING SENT TO BROHKAHN. TREASURY SHOULD HAVE ORIG CHECK IF TING LING HAS CASHED IT. NAME WAS INCORRECTLY MADE OUT TO TING KENG ON CHECK IN WHICH CASE HE SHOULD SIGN AS KENG.

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2. USDO - PHNOM PENH HAS REVIEWED PAYROLL VOUCHERS AND CATE-

GORICALLY DECLARES ALL LOCALS WERE PAID IN CASH DOLLARS OR BY
US TREASURY CK, UNLESS THEY REMAINED IN PHNOM PENH, IN WHICH
CASE THEY WERE PAID IN KHMER RIELS. ALL LOCAL EMPLOYEES DEPARTING
WITH US UNDER EVACUATION WERE PAID IN DOLLARS FOR THEIR
FINAL PAY PERIOD OF MARCH 30 TO APRIL 12 AND FOR THEIR SEVER-
ANCE AND LUMP SUM LEAVE PAY AS OF THE END OF THE LAST FULL MONTH
(MARCH) PER EMBASSY LOCAL COMPENSATION PLAN. EMBASSY POLICY WAS
NOT TO CONVERT ANY LOCAL CURRENCY HOLDINGS AND ONLY FINAL PAY
AND SEVERANCE/1SP WAS PAID IN DOLLARS. FYI EMBASSY PHNOM PENH
CLOSED APRIL 12. THERE WAS NO MEMORANDUM ISSUED BUT POLICY OF
PAYMENT IN DOLLARS WAS CLEARLY FOR FINAL PAY PERIOD AND
SEVERANCE/LS PAY ONLY. PAY RECORDS IN BANGKOK SUPPORT THAT
ALL LOCAL EMPLOYEES WERE PAID IN CASH DOLLARS (IN PHNOM PENH)
OR BY US TREAS CHECK (AT U-TAPAO).
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